



Please amend the application as indicated below:

In the Specification

On page 34, line 25, after "reference.", please add ~~Hybridization wash conditions can include wash solution of 0.2x SSC/0.1% SDS and incubation with rotation for 10 minutes at room temperature, (low stringency wash), wash solution of prewarmed (42° C) 0.2x SSC/0.1% SDS and incubation with rotation for 15 minutes at 42° C (medium stringency wash) and wash solution of prewarmed (68° C) 0.1x SSC/0.1% SDS and incubation with rotation for 15 minutes at 68° C (high stringency wash). See Ausubel *et al.* (*infra*).~~

In the Claims

Please amend Claims 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8 and 17 and add Claims 18-41 as follows:

1. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule selected from the group consisting of:
  - a) an isolated nucleic acid molecule which [selectively] hybridizes under conditions of high stringency to a nucleic acid molecule having the complementary sequence of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 [or SEQ ID NO: 4, or], wherein said isolated nucleic acid molecule, when expressed with a molecule having the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4 and a gene encoding an IgG1 immunoglobulin constant region, encodes a polypeptide which binds hTNF $\alpha$ ;
  - b) an isolated nucleic acid molecule which hybridizes under conditions of high stringency to a nucleic acid molecule having the complementary sequence of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4, wherein said isolated nucleic acid molecule, when expressed with a molecule having the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 and a gene encoding an IgG1 immunoglobulin constant region, encodes a polypeptide which binds hTNF $\alpha$ ; and
  - c) a complement of [said] an isolated nucleic acid molecule of a) or b).
2. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule selected from the group consisting of:
  - a) an isolated nucleic acid molecule which [selectively] hybridizes under conditions of high stringency to DNA having the complementary sequence of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 [or SEQ ID NO: 4 and which], wherein said isolated nucleic acid molecule, when expressed with a molecule having the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4 and a gene encoding an IgG1 immunoglobulin constant region, encodes a polypeptide which binds to hTNF $\alpha$ ; and